

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0001], with the following rewritten paragraph:

A<sup>1</sup> [0001 ] This application is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of pending United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/441,867, entitled *Brush for Cleaning Drain Catheters or Feeding Tube*, filed November 17, 1999, and incorporated herein in its entirety.

Applicant also intends to claim priority of United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/109,769 filed November 25, 1998.

Please replace paragraph [0046], with the following rewritten paragraph:

A<sup>2</sup> [0046] In use, as depicted in Figures 2 and 3, brush 20 is inserted into the catheter, feeding tube, or venous line 24. Catheter, feeding tube, or venous line has an optional retention string ~~[18]~~(not shown). Bristles 26 are sized and configured depending on the size of catheter, feeding tube, or venous line to contact the interior surface 44 of the interior passageway 46 thereof. As previously mentioned, wire 24 is a resilient, flexible member capable of following the contour and curves of catheter or feeding tube 34. While tube 22 is also a resilient, flexible member, the addition of tube 22 around a substantial portion of wire 24 provides additional strength and rigidity sufficient to transfer the forces being applied by medical personnel cleaning catheter, feeding tube, or venous line. The user applies force through the handle to effectively create a scrubbing motion to dislodge and remove any build-ups formed by particles, residues, and the like, such as build-up 48, formed on interior surface 44 of interior passageway 46 of catheter or feeding tube 34 or the optional residual string that resides in the catheter, feeding tube, or venous line.